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Prescribed fire reduces wildland fire risk and enhances wildlife areas

Taos, NM – Residents of Tres Piedras, New Mexico, and surrounding areas will be seeing smoke in the air from the latter of October through November 30, 2004. The BLM Taos Field Office will be conducting a prescribed broadcast burn on the northeast portion of San Antonio Mountain.

Kyle Sahd, Engine Foreman for the Taos Field Office, said "the prescribed burn will help to enhance wildlife areas and reduce hazardous fuels. We will be trying to burn between hunts on San Antonio Mountain if the weather and fuel conditions exist." "If the weather conditions are not right, we may have to burn during the hunts," he added.

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